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Current Reading Materials

An increasing interest and awareness was expressed by several authors of current (1972) publications revealing that sex discrimination or subtle sex bias pervades all of American education from nursery through graduate school (1, 7, 9, 23). A subsequent investigation of selected reading materials was undertaken to determine if this situation does indeed exist and, if so, to what extent does it involve the keystone medium employed in the teaching of reading.

It is significant to note that reading series are employed in some 75% of our public schools today and subsequently generate significant influences on students in terms of their current and future roles in our society.

There are 33.5 million elementary school students in the United States enrolled in grades 1-8 according to 1971 Bureau of Census figures. Approximately three fourths of them are utilizing reading series at the elementary level which comprise a major vehicle for the communication of sex role behaviors, social attitudes and values.

What are some of the messages being transmitted to our neophyte citizens regarding role assignment? Who is responsible for selecting and generating the materials that determine tiese role assignments?

The purpose of this investigation was to explore the following considerations regarding reading materials:

1) Determine if sex stereotyping exists in reading materials for grades 1-10.



- Determine if a majority of the stories show one sex in a dominant role.
- 3) Explore types of career roles shown for females and males.
- 4) Determine the number of different career roles depicted for females and males.

PROCEDURES

During the 1972 fall term, a group of ten Oregon State University research assistants began analyzing 16 different reading series in terms of sex stereotyping and career roles depicted for females and males in each story. The research team analyzed stories in each text according to these criteria adopted from Dick and Jane as Victims (23) and determined if the stories featured:

- 1) Boys
- 2) Girls
- 3) Adult Males
- 4) Adult Females
- 5) Boys and Girls
- 6) Male Animal
- 7) Female Animal
- 8) Folk Fantasy Male
- 9) Folk Fantasy Female
- 10) Male Biography
- 11) Female Biography
- 12) Other: Science, Neuter Animal
- 13) Career Roles Shown Male
- 14) Career Roles Shown Female

Instructional sessions were initiated for the research assistants in order to explain the systematic procedures to be employed during this project and the special forms to be utilized for tabulation of results. One major orientation session was attended by the team members with subsequent individual conference sessions arranged for them in order to clarify specific questions relating to each reading series.

Each research²'assumed the responsibilities of 1) reading all of the stories from one series, 2) determining the category to which each story would be assigned, 3) identifying and tabulating career roles depicted for each sex.



Texts were selected on the basis of availability in addition to currency. The reading series evaluated in this study are listed below:

- 1) Allyn and Bacon, Inc.: "Sheldon Basic Reading Series," Sheldon, W. (1968)
 2) Beckley-Cardy: "Cowboy Sam," Chandler. (1958-64)
 3) Beckley-Cardy: "Dan Frontier." Hurley. (1961)

- 4) Beckley-Cardy: 'Sailor Jack," Wasserman. (1960)
 5) Benefic: "Tom Logan," Chandler. (1966-71)
 6) Economy: "Phonetic Keys to Reading," T. Harris. (1967)
- 7) Ginn: "Reading 360 Series," T. Clymer. (1969) 8) Holt, Rinehart, and Winston: "Sounds of Language Readers," B. Martin.
- 9) i/t/a Publications: "Early-to-Read," H. Tanyzer. (1964-66)
- 10) Lyons and Carnahan: "The Young America Basic Reading Program," L. Fay. (1971)
- 11) Macmillan: "The Macmillan Reading Program," A. Harris. (1965)
- 12) Macmillan: "The Bankstreet Readers," I. Black. (1966)
- 13) Open Court: "Open Court Basic Readers," A. Trace. (1967)
- 14) Reader's Digest Services: "Reader's Digest Skill Builders," L. Thomas (1959, 1966, 1968)
- 15) Science Research Associates: "The SRA Basic Reading Series," D. Rasmussen.
- 16) Scott Foresman: "Curriculum Foundation Series," H. Robinson. (1965)

When information from 16 series had been submitted, a summarization of data was completed by the major investigator. These data reflected findings from 4,144 different stories in reading series ranging from PP¹ through 10th grade reading levels.

SEX ROLE ASSIGNMENT

The total number of stories depicting males in the major character role were summarized in Table 1 and included the categories of stories featuring: boy, adult males, male animals, folk fantasy - male, and male biography.

Table 1 shows 4,144 total stories analyzed with 2,434 or 58% of these stories featur ing males in the major role.

Stories depicting females in major character roles were tabulated using identical criteria and included stories featuring girls, adult females, female animals, folk fantasy - female and female biographies. A sharp contrast is observed in the number



of stories featuring females which is 631 or 14% of the total.

A third category of <u>Other</u> was necessary since certain of the stories could not be assigned to either male or female designations. This category included stories featuring neuter animals, science, and coed stories. Selections in this category totaled 1079 or 28% as shown in Table 1.

Content and illustrations were analyzed to determine the frequency with which each sex had been designated as the model representative for that career role. Table 2 figures indicate the frequency of occurrence that males and females were shown in career roles. For example, the female was frequently depicted as mother, teacher, or nurse and each time she was shown in these roles it was tabulated. The 16 different series showed a total of 3,094 career roles for females and males. In 86% of the situations or in 2,623 stories, a male was shown in the career role. Females were depicted in 471 career roles or 14% of the time. The disparity between male and female career role assignments is evident and not representative of our current 1972 labor force which is comprised of 42% female employees. ¹⁸

The table showing the total number of different career roles for males and females was tabulated with each career counted only once. Therefore, the career role of astronomer is counted once for males as is witch counted once for females, even though males were assigned the role of astronomer in several stories as was the female assigned her career role. There were 629 different career roles depicted for females and males. The total number of different career roles assigned to male figures is 511 or 81% of the total career roles shown. Females were assigned to 118 or 19% of the career roles shown.

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Another type of analysis was undertaken to determine if there was any real differentiation in reading series at various grade levels in terms of major character role assignments, sex stereotyping and career roles. The information generated from these



stories was divided into four categories, specifically, primary grade levels (PP¹-3), intermediate grade levels (4-6), junior high/senior high grade levels (7-10), and high interest low reading vocabulary texts for students with reading problems with reading levels (PP¹-3). Several questions were asked regarding this analysis. Would there be any differences in terms of major character assignments when contrasting primary with intermediate levels? Would career roles increase for the female group at the junior/ senior high level? Would the same stereotypes exist for females and males at all levels? Would high interest low reading vocabulary texts show any departure from traditional reading series in terms of major character assignments and career roles? These questions were answered quite dramatically as can be seen when studying Tables 4-11.

PRIMARY LEVEL (Grades 1-3)

As noted in Table 4, primary level materials totaled 2,248 stories with 59% or 1,331 stories depicting the male in a major role. Females were shown as major characters in only 369 or 16% of the total number of stories. The category of other fared much better than females with 548 stories or 25%.

Career roles in Table 5 show 1,149 assignments with 924 or 81% for males. Females were shown in 225 career roles or 19% of the total. These findings should dispel the common belief that basic reading materials have been designed for girls and because of this purported feminine influence in story content, boys have more difficulty in learning to read.

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL READING MATERIALS (Grades 4-6)

The intermediate grade level materials as shown in Table 6 indicate even fewer stories with females in major character roles with a total of 1,268 stories 763 are about males or 61% and 162 feature females or 13%. The category of Other shows 343



stories or 26%. The figures in Table 7 indicating career roles reveal that 86% or 994 of the career roles are assigned to males. This is from a total of 1,151 careers depicted.

JUNIOR HIGH/SENIOR HIGH LEVEL MATERIALS (Grades 7-10)

Our junior/senior high students are subjected to the same type of caste system although it is more gross at this level. Table 8 shows that from a total of 334 stories, 62% or 212 were male dominant while 12% or 43 stories were female dominant. The third category of Other totaled 89 stories and represented 26% of the stories for this level. Table 9 indicates that 89% or 562 career roles show a male representative compared to 11% or 67 careers showing a female representative.

HIGH INTEREST LOW READING VOCABULARY MATERIALS (Grades $PP^{1}-3$)

These special reading materials such as the <u>Dan Frontier Series</u> as shown in Table 10 indicate that 92% or 191 major character roles were assigned to males out of a total figure of 206. Whereas females were shown as the major characters in 15 or 7% of the stories. The category of <u>Other</u> generated a less than 1% incidence and included only one story. Career role designations for these texts, Table 11, revealed 141 career roles and assigned 128 to males or 91% and 13 to females or 9%. These texts were designed expressly for boys with reading problems and this is clearly evident when one studies the stereotyping and major character portrayal.

SEX STEREOTYPING

According to findings generated by this investigation, the evidence of sex stereotyping is readily apparent. These stereotype roles for females and males occur in series after series with little variation among the 16 different reading series. The



characteristic stereotype models exemplified in current reading series today are described in the following paragraphs.

Boys Boys are consistently stereotyped as daring, intelligent, ingeneous problem solvers. They are doers, achievers, builders, and sportspeople. Furthermore, these fellows are heroic, persevering and aggressive. They express positive qualities to be admired by all those important people in their lives, namely, parents, teachers, peers, and siblings. Furthermore, boys are usually shown as older and larger than their female siblings or peers. These boys are portrayed as stoic, emotionless people in the reading series and do not outwardly express any human sensitivity.

Girls In constrast, girls are shown as spectators of life, docile, pleasing, self-effacing, incompetent, inept, and passive. Girls are shown time after time admiring boys while they stand by passively with their doll or some other prop. Girls continuously portray their sex dictated stereotype of the domestic involving ironing, baking and serving cookies, playing house, and helping mother in the kitchen. These girls do not initiate any action, solve problems, build, create, or persevere. They appear vacuous, non-achieving, unthinking, observers, always supportive to males. Their appearance is always in character with the stereotype of the female, clean, neat, very femininely dressed and seemingly concerned with appearance. Unfortunately, these characters serve as models for approximately 14 million elementary school girls and teaches them such highly restricted basic social attitudes and life roles that in reality, they must sublimate their abilities to conform to what society expects of them.

Adult Male The males are caste in roles of professional businessmen, fathers, and problem solvers who despense knowledge and generate all the exciting ideas for family trips or unique adventures. They are intelligent, authoritarian, in command of every situation and indeed strong persons to be admired. They are builders, doers, thinkers, and scholars.



Adult Female The females are shown as pleasant, hardworking mothers. Their domestic assignments of cooking, housekeeping, washing dishes, ironing, sweeping, mending, baking bread are repeated endlessly in these stories. They are uninteresting, unthinking, awkward, hardly able to prepare picnic baskets. By applying any reliable measure of intelligence to the behaviors depicted by these mothers, it would become apparent that they are shown as slow learners, to say the least. They are unable to solve problems, and must invariably seek the assistance of their husbands or six year old sons. Characterizations of females are extremely weak in these stories which becomes evident when evaluating four thousand instances.

CAREER ROLES

Career role assignments are greatly skewed in the direction of male characters in these stories with a significant disparity in evidence when contrasting male/female career role assignments. Quality as well as quantity of career choices obviously favors the male characters who are provided a variety of options ranging from unskilled labor to highly professional.

Female career role assignments are fewer in number and limited in variety and quality. The same stereotyping is in evidence with the clerical, janitorial service roles quite numerous for females.

CONCLUSIONS

Pre-determined sex role behaviors, social attitudes and values are directed toward the embryonic citizen via the omnipresent reading series. Decisions regarding social attitudes and values usually considered to be the province of parents are instead being generated by publishers.



Attorney Karen DeCrow expresses her thinking regarding sex stereotyping from the position of former textbook editor with the following commentary:

"In case the image of women has not been totally instilled in a little girl before she is five years old, by television and by her parents and firends, school finishes the job. Teachers are individuals, and school curricula vary from locale to locale, so it can be argued that there is no uniform content. However, one crucial item in the educative process is standard: the text-book.

. . . There are about 15 major textbook companies which control about 90 percent of the textbook market. They watch each other closely and produce very similar products. An they have the image of woman as helpmate, as mother, as observer of male activities, included in every book. School attendance is compulsory in this country. This means that every young girl must read about herself as passive citizen for 12 years—by law."

This vast and voiceless student audience in terms of text selection is recipient of a concept which repeats again and again that life styles and career roles are sex determined.

The findings in this study corroborate the fact that in these reading series if you are male you have numerous career options available of the most commanding type. In addition, one of your responsibilities is to resolve all of life's problems for yourself and any female in your particular environment ranging from aunt to grandmother, from wife to daughter. If you are female, you have vastly limited options in terms of life styles and career roles and you will be expected to solve very few, if any, of your own problems or any one elses especially if there is a male in your family milieu. Any male will be obliged to solve your problems or exigencies whether he be six or ninety-six since a female, according to these reading materials, is simply not equipped mentally to resolve any contingencies or even generate an idea.

An article from the National Education Association reported in the November 24, 1972 issue of the Oregon Journal underscores this concern regarding stereotyping with



the following statement:

"The National Education Association calls upon parents and all groups involved in public education to join in a nationwide effort to reduce the effects of sex role stereotypes, the standardized mental pictures of male and female that permeate all of our lives.

Wade Wilson, an NEA executive committee member said the primary concern was with teaching attitudes and materials--particularly textbooks portraying boys as heroes and girls, if they are mentioned at all, as helpless sidekicks. 20

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. These findings affirm the need for revision of reading materials in the grades 1-10, which eliminate gross sex stereotyping.
- 2. Boys and girls should be provided stories which show them working together, solving common problems, respecting each others abilities and functioning as equals.
- 3. Males need to be depicted as warm, caring human beings, capable of tenderness, love and compassion.
- 4. Reading materials should include more female characters in leadership roles, which depict them as intelligent, capable human beings with the ability to create, generate new ideas and resolve problems.
- 5. Reading materials need to expand the quantity and quality of career roles shown for females.
- 6. There is a need for high interest low reading level texts for girls with reading problems which portray them as viable human beings.
- 7. Classroom instructors should be made aware of messages being directed at our student population via reading materials in terms of sex role behaviors, social attitudes and values.
- 8. Textbook selection committees should expand their evaluation criteria to include categories regarding sex stereotyping, male/female career role models and alternative life styles.

Our newest citizens are subtlely and gradually being programmed for society unaware of the powerfully influential forces pressuring them to conform to stereotypes depicted in reading materials employed in our public school system.



Table 1
Stories depicting male or female major characters in reading materials in grades 1-10

Table 2

Total number of career roles shown in reading materials 1-10

N = 309)4	
MALE n= 2623	FEMALE n= 471	
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86%		
	14%	



Table 3

Total number of different career roles.

	N= 629		
MALE n=511		FEMALE n=118	
81%			
		91%	

Table 4
Primary stories (1-3) depicting male or female major characters

	N= 2248	
MALE n= 1331	FEMALE n= 369	OTHER n=548
59%	16%	25%



Table 5

Frequency of career roles shown in primary reading materials for grades 1-3

	N= 1149		
MALE n=924		FEMALE n = 225	
81%			
		19%	



Table 6

Intermediate level stories depicting male or female major characters for grades 4-6

	N= 1268	
MALE n=763	FEMALE n=162	OTHER n=343
61%		
		26%
	13%	



Table 7
Frequency of career roles shown in intermediate reading materials for grades 4-6

	N= 1151		
MALE n= 994		FEMALE n= 157	·
86%			
		14%	



Table 8

Junior high/senior high stories depicting male or female major characters for grades 7--10

	N = 344	•
MALE n=212	FEMALE n= 43	DTHER n= 89
62%		26%



Table 9

Frequency of career roles shown in reading materials for grades 7-10.

N= 62	9
MALE n=562	FEMALE n=67
89%	
	11%



Table 10

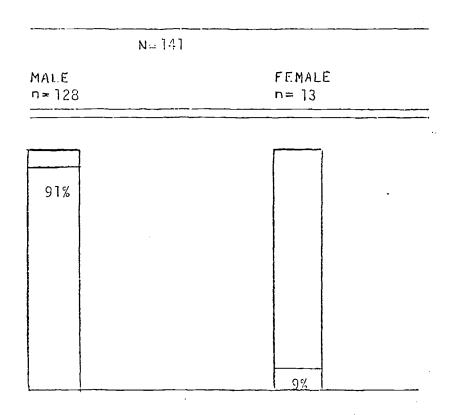
High interest low reading vocabulary stories featuring male or female major characters

	N=206	
MALE n= 191	FEMALE n= 15	OTHER n= 1
92%		
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Table 11

Frequency of career roles depicted in high interest low reading vocabulary materials



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Number of Texts	15	8	14	12	Q	33	1	12	13	8
Total Stories	429	198	400	407	473	585	273	322	382	114
Featuring Boys	127	77	84	119	51	9	90	75	127	30
Featuring Girls	25	22	38	36	26	18	16	19	58	9
Featuring Adult Males	25	14	45	39	139	85	25	44	13	12
Featuring Adult Females	8	10	α	13	20	19	4	4	3	7
Featuring Boys and Girls	100	24	36	58	0.	8	56	26	49	
Featuring Male Animal	30	13	30	32	58	29	25	30	23	10
Featuring Female Animal	6		∞	7	10	14	8	14	12	4
Featuring Folk Fantasy-Male	56	6	39	56	16		30	21	24	
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Career Roles Shown-Females	55	59	36	47	50	88	22	48	27	34

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Summary of All Series

Reading Grade Level

Number of Texts

Total Stories

Featuring Girls Featuring Boys

Featuring Adult Males

Featuring Adult Females

Featuring Male Animal

Featuring Boys and Girls

Featuring Female Animal

Featuring Folk Fantasy-Female Featuring Folk Fantasy-Male

Featuring Female Biography

Featuring Male Biography

Other: Science, Neuter Animal

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Series

Reading Grade Levels

Total Stories

Number of Texts

Featuring Boys

Featuring Adult Males Featuring Girls

Featuring Adult Females

Featuring Boys and Girls

Featuring Male Animal

Featuring Folk Fantasy-Male Featuring Female Animal

Featuring Folk Fantasy-Female

Featuring Female Biography Featuring Male Biography

Career Roles Shown-Males (Frequency) Other: Science, Neuter Animal

Career Roles Shown-Females (Frequency) 44 * Level 5 Not Available

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Allyn & Bacon Sheldon Reading Series 1973	1-6	11	329	150	21	29	9	40	21	4	. 24	3	21	4	2	423	167
Scott Foresman Reading Systems 1-6* 1971-72	1-6	24	192	45	14	6	2	7	15	4	12	-	22	13	48	282	87
Lippincott Basic Reading 1975	1-6	8	130	43	12	14	0	12	18	1	6	5	9	8	2	64	44
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Sex Stereotyping Analysis May, 1974

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Other	N=14	N=55	N=55
	10%	17%	29%
Major Character Major Character	N=26	N=38	N=34
Male Female	20%	12%	18%
Major Character	N=90	N=245	N=103
Male	69%	74%	53%
Total Stories Analyzed	N=130	N=329	N=192
Title of Series Analyzed Year	Lippincott Basic Reading 1-6	Allyn & Bacon 1-6 Sheldon	Scott Foresman 1-6 Reading Systems 1971-1973

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Architect Amusement Park Employee Anthropologist Aquanaut Artifact Collector Astronaut Astronomer Avaiation Designer Apt. Superintend-Archeologist Acrobat Actor Archer Admiral Artist Auctioneer Author Athlete Animal Trainer (Dog, Elephant) Assistant Scoutmaster Ambassador Gator Wrestler Animator Army Observer Atomic Reactor Manager Attorney Air Mechanic Aerodynamic Researcher Army Officer

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Builder
Bank Owner
Baker
Bird Collector
Banana Grower
Bank Teller
Barber
Baseball Player
(Pro)
Bee Keeper
Bicycle Shop
Owner
Biochemist

В

Biologist Blacksmith Bridge Builder Botanist Band Leader Boxer (Pro) Bus Driver (School, City) Butcher Butler Balloonist Businessman Bandit Bank Clerk Brakeman Banker Bricklayer Bull Fighter Broadcaster Bridge Designer Baseball Manager Brain Surgeon Bucker (Timber) Burglar

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Constable Caddy Candle Maker Criminal Commercial Pilot Chief Mate Chief Chief Inspector Crystallographer Customs Inspector Cabinet Maker Composer Congressman Congressional Page Conservationist Coppersmith Cryptographer County Agent Climber Coach Cheese Maker Clock Fix-it-Man

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Camp Counselor Chauffeur Captain (Fishing Boat, Militia, Ship) Carpenter Carpet Layer Cattle Rancher Chief (Indian Tribe, Village) Choir Master City Maintenance Worker Clown Cook (Ship Train) Cowboy Custom House Official Construction Worker Children's Store Owner. Cattleman Clerk (Drug, Grocery) Circus Performer (Trapeze, Wire, Clown) City Planner Craftsman Coast Guardsman Cab Driver Camel Trainer Carriage Driver Cameraman Circus Animal Trainer Circus Boss Circus Chariot

Racer

Contractor

Crane Operator

Columnist

Crewman

Colonel

Comedian

Commercial Fisher-

Customer Serviceman Commercial Painter С

Contest Judge
College President
Captain
Chemist
Circus Tall Man
" Midget
" Glutton
" Waterboy
Company Head
Czar
Concert Pianist
Clergyman

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Farm Laborer
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Operator
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Owner

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Hermit Historian Hotel Housekeeper Hotel Cook Hotel Cook Helper Hay Harvester High-steel Construction Worker Hockey Player (Pro) Horse Trader Humane Society Employee Huntsman Harbor Police Helicopter Police Hotel Manager Hot Dog Vendor Horseman

Kennel Owner

L
Lawyer
Legislator

Legislator
Logger
Linotyper
Longshoreman
Lighthouse Keeper
Lumberjack
Law Clerk
Lord
Lieutenant
Lithographer
Logger
Log Truck Driver

М

Machinist

Manager of Baseball Minister Mason Magician Mathematician Miller Mail Clerk Mailman Merchant Milkman Miner Missionary Music Conductor Mayor Major Minstrel Mounted Police Mill Owner Manager Manufacturer Movie Star MP Minister Military Attache Motorman Messenger Mint Master Monk Marine Engineer

Metal Worker Meteorologist Music Teacher Movie Manager

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Naturalist'
Newspaper Publisher
Newspaperman
Navigator
Noble
Nuclear Physicist
Novelist
NASA Administrator
News Commentator
Navyman

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Olympic Athlete
Owner (Icecream
Store)
Organ Grinder
Optometrist
Ornithologist
Oceanographer
Outlaw
Orderly
Officers
Oil Contractor

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Page Pastor
Paperboy
Photographer
Philosopher
Physicist
Painter
Plumber
Park Commissioner
Prime Minister
Postmaster
President of US
Pararescueman
Principal
Peddler



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Т

Pilot Jet Helicopter Airplane Pony Express Rider Portrait Painter Professor (College) Ring Master Physiologist Pirate Planatation Owner Pet Store Owner President of College Playwrite Poet Pelitician Priest Prince Prospector Publisher Prison Guard Potter Peanut Grower Policeman Producer Paratrooper Pope President Pretzel Manufacturer Padre Park Ranger

R

Printer

Personnel

Postal Clerk

Director

Rodeo Clown Rocket Expert Reporter Railroad Owner Rug Dealer Railroad Construction Worker Ruler Rock Cutter Radio Announcer Railroad Engineer

Rodeo Star Restaurant Owner Robber Rainmaker Rancher Railroad Boss Real Estate Agents

Stone Polisher Spaceman Sharecropper Seaman Salesman (Balloon,

Insurance, Clothing, Snow Plow, Fruit, Icecream, Popcorn)

Skier vaS Scholar Swim Trainer Steam Shovel Operator Sawmill Worker Senator Submarine Captain Sheik

Servant Sculptor Scorcerer Secretary Settler Street Car Conductor Shantyman Ship Chandler Ship Owner Subway Token Taker Scientist Service Station Attendant Science Teacher

Sheep Herder Store Keeper Signal Officer Security Man Secretary of War Stoker Sweeper Supervisor Surgeon

Stoker (Ship) (Mill) Soldier Skipper Sheriff Shoemaker

Swim Star Slave Silversmith Skin Diver Steel Driver Stage Coachman Street Cleaner Silver Miner

Stagecoach Guard Driver Surveyor

Steamship Agent Statesman Snow Scientist Singer Signalman

Sea Captain Shoe Repairman Steel Men Safety Officer Sports Writer

Slagger Speaker of House

Secretary of Treasury Sailor

Sergeant

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Trumpeter Teamster Truck Driver Telephone Supervisor

Taxidermist Technical Writer Telephone Man Test Pilot Teacher Tracker Technician Telegraph Construction Track Boss TV Repairman Tinker Train Engineer Tugboat Operator Traffic Controller Trapper Tree Farmer Trolley Conductor Tailor

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Trader

Taxi Driver

Unskilled Worker

Telegraph Operator

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Valet Veterinarian Violinist Vaudeville Agent Voice Teacher

W

Writer Wells Fargo Agent Whaler Wagon Maker Weaver Water Dept. Employee Wood Carver Well Driller Warehouse Worker Waiter Wizard Watchman for Dam Watch Repairman Workman Wrecking Yard Operator Weather Forecaster



Z

Zoologist Zoo Keeper

		FEMALE CAREER	ROLES	
	A	G	N	S
	Artist	Gypsy	Nurse	Swim Star
	Art Teacher	Governess	Nursemaid	Secretary
	Acrobat	Gift Shop Owner	Nun	000,000,0
	Author	Government Official	Novelist	
	Athlete	Goddess	110701130	Т
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	Actress		0	Teacher
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		11	Owner of Dress	
	В	Historian		Tennis Player
	D		Shop	Telephone Opera
	Dallar	House Keeper Huntress	Р	tor
	Baker		r	Therapist
	Biographer	Hotel Maid	Durings	
	Beautician	Hoop Holder in Circus	Princess	11
	Bakery Proprietress	Housewife	Photographer	W
	Beggar	•	Painter	
	Bird Farm Proprietress	I	Pet Store Owner	Workwoman
			Post Office Worker	War Correspond-
		Interpreter	Poetess	ent
	С		Pianist	Wire Walker
			Post Mistress	Witch
	Circus Horse Rider	J	Postal Supervisor	Waitress
	Chemist			Weaver
	Cleaning Woman	Jelly Maker (Commerical)		Washwoman
	Computer Programmer	Janitress	Q	WAC
	Candy Shope Owner	Jester		
	Cook	Juggler	Queen	
	Circus Star	Jet Pilot		Z
	Cafeteria Cook			
	Circus Fat Ladv		R	Zoo Mother
	Circus Pretty Girl	L		
	Countess		Redcross Worker	
	Clerk	Librarian	Recreation Director	
	Czarina	Laundress	Ranch Cook	,
		Landlady	Receptionist	
	D	Lab Technician		
	Doctor		S	
	Dutchess	М		
	Department Head (Sales)		Scientist	
	Dancer	Mother Superior	Seamstress	
		Maid	Sculptor	
		Missionary	Servant	
	E	Mother	Slave	
		Meter Maid	Soldier	
	Elephant Trainer	Museum Expert	Stenographer	
		Museum Clerk	Skier	
		Maiden (Ladies of Court)	Snake Charmer	
	F	Miss Marvelous	Shopwoman	
	•	Magician's Assistant	Social Worker	
	Farmer	Milk Maid	Sales Clerk	
	Flower Seller		Singer	
	Forest Lookout	•	Skin Diver	
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ADDENDUM

Questions most frequently asked regarding this study on Sex Stereotyping and Career Role Assignments in Reading Material.

- 1) Is this study available in any other form?
 - a) An article appears in the JOURMAL OF READING, November, 1973 issue.
 - b) A slide/tape film program of this study has been prepared for teachers, inservice groups, and parents and it is being distributed by the Oregon Education Association.

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2) Are newer editions showing any major improvement of this situation regarding sex stereotyping and career role assignments?

No signiticant changes are seen in the 1973-75 editions that have been analyzed in this study (see tables 13 & 14)

3) For how many years is each reading series used in a class.room district?

Generally, reading series are used from 10-15 years in a classroom. While newer series are purchased, the older series are utilized as a supplementary reading material for many years.

For example, the 1965 edition reviewed in this investigation will probably be teaching the same stereotypes until 1980 or longer . . .



4) How are racial or ethnic minorities shown in reading series in terms of major character role assignments, race stereotyping, and career role assignments?

A current study which this researcher completed in May, 1974 addresses itself to this issue. The results show that racial or ethnic minority women are treated less fairly than anglo women.

A slide/tape program on Racism and Career Role Stereotyping will be available in August, 1974, and will be distributed by the Oregon Education Association.

